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S/S PASS MR. SISCO

FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE FOLLOWING IS PARTIAL
EXCERPT FROM DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN'S PRESS BRIEFING
DECEMBER 17, 1973:

QUOTE: MR. HARE: WE DEEPLY REGRET THE LOSS OF AMERICAN
AND OTHER LIVES AT THE HAND OF TERRORISTS WHO ASSAULTED
INNOCENT BYSTANDERS AT ROME AIRPORT TODAY. WE ARE IN TOUCH
WITH THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT REGARDING THIS VICIOUS ATTACK
AND WILL CONTINUE TO WORK CLOSELY WITH THE ITALIANS
FOLLOWING UP THIS INCIDENT. WE ARE ALSO MAINTAINING CON-
TACT WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTS INVOLVED IN THE INCIDENT, WHICH
INVOLVES HOSTAGES OF UNCONFIRMED NATIONALITY.

THIS NEW OUTRAGE UNDERLINES THE URGENT NECESSITY TO
STRENGTHEN CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY MEASURES THROUGHOUT THE
WORLD.

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THE US GOVERNMENT DEPLORES INCIDENTS SUCH AS THIS AT ANY
TIME AND PARTICULARLY AT A TIME WHEN A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT
OF THE MIDDLE EAST QUESTION, A FACTOR APPARENTLY IN THE
MINDS OF THE TERRORISTS, IS BEING SOUGHT BY MANY PEACE-
LOVING GOVERNMENTS AND INDIVIDUALS. END QUOTE. RUSH

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